THE EVOLUTION OF PARASITISM IN SCROPHULARIACEAE/ OROBANCHACEAE: PLASTID GENE SEQUENCES REFUTE AN EVOLUTIONARY TRANSITION SERIES¹

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ABSTRACT

Parasitic plants in Scrophulariaceae and Orobanchaceae have been traditionally depicted as forming a linear evolutionary series beginning with hemiparasitism and ending with holoparasitism. The genera *Lathraea, Harveya*, and *Hyobanche* have been viewed as transitional links between the parasitic members of Scrophulariaceae and the strictly holoparasitic habit of the traditional Orobanchaceae. Phylogenetic analyses of plastid *rps2* and *matK* sequences were performed. The transitional genera are not transitional to the traditional Orobanchaceae, but represent multiple independent origins of holoparasitism. Within Scrophulariaceae, the two traditional subfamilies Rhinanthoideae and Antirrhinoideae are defined by the arrangement of the corolla lobes during aestivation. However, neither of the two subfamilies is monophyletic in our analyses, suggesting that corolla lobe position is a homoplastic character. While the traditional Orobanchaceae are monophyletic, tribes Buchnereae and Rhinantheae are clearly not, and genus *Orobanche* probably is not. Clades of parasitic genera correspond well with biogeographic provinces. One strongly supported clade contains the parasitic Scrophulariaceae, the traditional Orobanchaceae, and *Lindenbergia*. It is proposed that this clade be defined as the Orobanchaceae.

Parasitic angiosperms are found in 16 families and live in diverse habitats, ranging from tropical forests to arctic islands (Musselman & Press, 1995). Recent work on several parasitic groups has explored their anatomy, physiology, ecology, and molecular biology and the control of economically significant parasites (Press & Graves, 1995). Parasites exhibit dramatic adaptations. Some lack leaves, stems, roots, and the ability to photosynthesize. For many lineages of non-photosynthetic parasites, study of their evolution is impeded by the very fact that they are so specialized and so different from their nearest photosynthetic relatives. In many cases the identity of those relatives remains unknown (Nickrent & Duff, 1996; Nickrent et al., 1998). The evolution of parasitism can best be studied in a group where near relatives are known, and different degrees of parasitic specialization are

encountered. The group with the greatest range in parasitic specialization is found within the Scrophulariaceae/Orobanchaceae. This family pair includes nonparasites, both facultative and obligate hemiparasites (photosynthetic plants that obtain water, nutrients, or photosynthates from their host), and holoparasites (non-photosynthetic, obtaining all photosynthates from their host). Much has been learned about the anatomy and physiology of parasitism in this group, especially in Striga Loureiro and Orobanche L., which are important pests of crop plants (Press & Graves, 1995). Reliable information on phylogenetic relationships among the various nonparasites, hemiparasites, and holoparasites would enable us to better understand the anatomical, physiological, and genetic changes that occur during the evolution of parasitism and the loss of photosynthetic ability.

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Boeshore (1920: 171) argued for a close relationship between the Scrophulariaceae (figworts) and the traditional Orobanchaceae (broomrapes), describing in detail an evolutionary transition series:

"All macroscopic and microscopic details suggest that the parasitic Scrophulariaceae and Orobanchaceae form a continuous and parasitically degrading morphological series that show transitional steps from green nearly autotrophic plants like *Melampyrum*, *Rhinanthus*, and *Euphrasia* to increasingly condensed and degraded genera like *Bartsia* and *Harveya*, on to *Lathraea*, that has been shown to be placed by some botanists in Scrophulariaceae, by others in Orobanchaceae, thence through species of *Orobanche* to *Epiphegus*, and finally *Aphyllon* and *Conopholis*."

Boeshore had developed a different view of the group's evolution based on morphology. Many of the morphological characters that bear on phylogeny are probably adaptations to the parasitic lifestyle, and most involve reduction or loss of structures. This makes it difficult to interpret relationships within the group. It seems that, as the separate lineages independently specialized as parasites, they converged (sensu Eldredge & Cracraft, 1980) on similar morphologies. This paper includes additional DNA sequence data, enabling us to more rigorously test whether the parasites form a monophyletic group and whether the holoparasites form multiple groups. Because the five basal branches of the parasitic clade were left unresolved in the rps2 study (dePamphilis et al., 1997), we have, in this study, included a wider sample of taxa for rps2 and added characters from another plastid gene, matK. This gives us the increase in resolution needed to provide a more detailed phylogeny.

According to Boeshore, the evolutionary series among parasitic figworts and broomrapes involved progressive enlargement and consolidation of haustoria (the connection to the host), shortening of the vegetative stem, reduction of leaves, simplification of the inflorescence, change from few, large seeds to numerous, small seeds, and a reduction in the ovary from two locules to one. Weber constructed a different evolutionary series based on haustorial anatomy (Weber, 1980), but otherwise, Boeshore's depiction of the group's evolution has endured remarkably well to the present. Later authors have cited Boeshore and reiterated his ideas. The parasitic Scrophulariaceae were viewed as "a pointer to ... Orobanchaceae" (Hutchinson, 1969: 630); Kuijt (1969: 95) observed, "Many features of Orobanchaceae appear to be already foreshadowed in their figwort relatives," and Cronquist (1981: 940) stated, "The evolutionary journey toward parasitism obviously begins in Scrophulariaceae; the Orobanchaceae merely occupy the house at the end of the road."

A new definition of Orobanchaceae will be presented. For that reason, the common name "broomrapes" will be used for the traditional Orobanchaceae.

Throughout this paper we will use the classifi-

Recent results from DNA sequencing show a more complicated history for the group. Phylogenies based on the plastid genes rps2 and rbcL (dePamphilis et al., 1997; Wolfe & dePamphilis, 1998; Nickrent et al., 1998) show that parasitism evolved a single time in the figwort/broomrape family pair. Thus all the hemi- and holoparasites, taken together, form a monophyletic group. This agrees with Boeshore, whose evolutionary series also contains a single origin of parasitism. Within this parasitic clade, however, evolution has not proceeded as Boeshore envisioned. The rps2 phylogeny also shows that the transitional genera (Lathraea, Harveya, Hyobanche) are not transitional at all, but occupy their own branches among the parasitic figworts, representing separate losses of photosynthesis, independent of the broomrapes (dePamphilis et al., 1997). It is not surprising that

cation system of Wettstein (1897), which, although dated (Thieret, 1967), is the best worldwide treatment of Scrophulariaceae. There are two minor exceptions to our use of Wettstein's system. We have included his subfamily Pseudosolaneae in the Antirrhinoideae (Thieret, 1967), and we use the name Buchnereae Benth. for his tribe Gerardieae Benth., following Pennell's (1935: 379) "desire that the tribal designation be based on a generic name unquestionably applying to a member of this group." Scrophulariaceae are divided into two subfamilies, Antirrhinoideae and Rhinanthoideae, "which differ fundamentally in the single character of the former having the posterior (corolla) lobes, and the latter the anterior lobes external in aestivation." (Pennell, 1935: 40). This corolla aestivation character has been studied throughout floral development for a number of figwort genera (Armstrong & Douglas, 1989), and the ontogenetic patterns were consistent within each subfamily. However, a study of rbcL and ndhF sequences (Olmstead & Reeves, 1995) found the Antirrhinoideae to be polyphyletic. In that study, the Rhinanthoideae, which consist of two nonparasitic tribes (Digitaleae and Veroniceae) and two parasitic tribes [Buchnereae and Rhinantheae Benth. (= Euphrasiae Benth.)], were represented only by two nonparasites, Digitalis and Veronica. Thus, neither the position of the parasites nor the monophyly of the Rhinanthoideae could be

addressed. Phylogenies of rps2 (dePamphilis et al., 1997, and unpublished) and rbcL (Wolfe & de-Pamphilis, 1998) indicate that the parasitic and nonparasitic Rhinanthoideae each form a clade, and the two clades are separated by many other taxa including Bignoniaceae and Lamiaceae. Corolla aestivation pattern is also used to separate the two parasitic tribes of subfamily Rhinanthoideae. Of the three abaxial lobes, the center one folds over the two outer ones in the Buchnereae, and the outer two fold over the center one in the Rhinantheae (Armstrong & Douglas, 1989). The membership of these tribes has been stable since their inception. The broomrapes or traditional Orobanchaceae (Beck von Mannagetta, 1930) consist entirely of holoparasites and have long been hypothesized to have affinities either with Scrophulariaceae or the Gesneriaceae. Gesneriaceae have been considered the closest relatives of the broomrapes by some authors (Baillon, 1891; Fritsch, 1895; Wettstein, 1897; Beck von Mannagetta, 1930), emphasizing the unilocular placentation of both families. Hallier (1903) and Bellini (1907) both proposed formal inclusion of the broomrapes in subfamily Rhinanthoideae of Scrophulariaceae. Boeshore (1920) also found the broomrapes to be similar to the parasitic figworts, not only in the parasitic habit and the presence of haustoria, but in many other features, such as: (1) plants similarly reduced, with very short vegetative axes and linear inflorescence axes; (2) leaves reduced to tooth-like scales; (3) sepals and stamens with tapered, multicellular hairs interspersed with capitate-glandular hairs; (4) parallel anther lobes growing downward into stiff, awnlike horns; and (5) nectary often a median knob in line with the floral axis. Cronquist (1981) referred to the Orobanchaceae as "... derived from Scrophulariaceae," but, due to its parasitic habit and parietal placentation, retained it as a separate family. Finally, a cladistic analysis of DNA sequences from the plastid gene rps2 showed the Orobanchaceae to be firmly ensconced within the parasitic figworts, which are not monophyletic (dePamphilis et al., 1997). Despite the lack of monophyly, we use the name Scrophulariaceae and its common name, figworts, as they have been traditionally used, until a reclassification is published. This study assessed the monophyly of three groups: genus Orobanche, the broomrapes, and the broomrapes plus parasitic figworts. If monophyletic, the study also sought the sister group of each clade. The position of Schwalbea was also examined. Schwalbea was thought to be among the most "primitive" of parasitic figworts, based on its fifth (posterior) sepal, septicidal dehiscence of the capsule, and two bractlets subtending the flower (Pennell, 1935).

These questions were addressed using two plastid genes: rps2 and matK. These are two of the small set of plastid genes that are found intact in all of the taxa in this group, even in the holoparasites. Although the ribosomal protein gene rps2 is new to plant phylogenetic analysis (dePamphilis et al., 1997), matK has become widely used and has many advantages for use in phylogenetic studies (Hilu & Liang, 1997). It is large (~ 1500 bp) and rapidly evolving (Wolfe et al., 1992; Olmstead & Palmer, 1994), changing 2 or 3 times as fast as rbcL (Steele & Vilgalys, 1994; Johnson & Soltis, 1995), thus providing many substitution characters. The changes in *matK* are distributed more evenly among the three codon positions and throughout its length than in other, more conserved genes (Johnson & Soltis, 1994; Hilu & Liang, 1997). As a coding region, *mat*K is easier to align than non-coding regions, yet most data sets have a few small indels (insertions or deletions) of 3 to 15 bp, providing additional characters. Interestingly, although the trnK locus is absent from Epifagus (Morden et al., 1991), and possibly several other Orobanchaceae taxa (N. D. Young & C. W. dePamphilis, unpublished), we found an intact matK gene in all Orobanchaceae and Scrophulariaceae tested, including holoparasites such as Epifagus (dePamphilis & Palmer, 1990; Wolfe et al., 1992) and Conopholis (Colwell, 1994).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

SAMPLING

Multiple taxa were chosen from each of the five major lineages of parasitic figworts and broomrapes found previously (dePamphilis et al., 1997). We also included Schwalbea, a monotypic genus that may represent a sixth parasitic lineage (Pennell, 1935). Both parasitic figwort tribes, Rhinantheae and Buchnereae, were well sampled. From the broomrapes, we sampled Epifagus, Conopholis, Boschniakia, Cistanche, and all four sections of Orobanche: Gymnocaulis (O. uniflora and O. fasciculata), Nothophyllon (O. corymbosa), Orobanche (O. caryophyllaceae, O. cernua, and O. hederae), and Trionychon (O. ramosa). rps2 phylogeny showed that the nearest relatives to the parasites are clearly not the Digitaleae (dePamphilis et al., 1997), as was previously thought. We therefore sampled members of all of Wettstein's (1897) figwort tribes except two small ones, Aptosimeae and Manuleae, for which material was not available. Additional sampling outside the

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figworts was based on previous rps2 phylogenies (dePamphilis et al., 1997, and unpublished), and emphasized lineages that appeared to be closely related to the parasites. We also included Lindenbergia, which, although not parasitic, shares some floral similarities with the parasitic figworts (Brühl, 1920). Trees were rooted with Ligustrum (Oleaceae) and Nicotiana (Solanaceae). The taxa used are listed, along with collection information and the GenBank accession numbers of the sequences, in Table 1.

with the NJ guide tree replaced by a "conservative" parsimony tree (derived from a data set with lengthvariable regions removed), with complex lengthvariable regions coded as multistate characters, as in Baum et al. (1994), or with length variation divided into characters based on the longest possible independently varying units (Young, 1998), and, finally, protein translations were aligned and the DNA alignments altered to match.

The 22 alignments thus produced were evaluated according to the consistency among characters [the rescaled consistency (RC) index of Farris (1989)] on the resulting maximum parsimony (MP) trees (Wheeler, 1995). This provided an objective optimality criterion: whichever alignment yielded the MP tree(s) with the highest RC was considered the best alignment.

DNA ISOLATION, AMPLIFICATION, AND SEQUENCING

The CTAB method (Doyle & Doyle, 1987) was used to isolate total DNA from plant leaf or stem tissue. Amplification of rps2 followed dePamphilis et al. (1997), and matK sequences were amplified using 1X Taq Extender buffer (Stratagene), 0.2 mM each dATP, dCTP, dGTP, and dTTP (Pharmacia), 3.6 mM MgCl₂, 0.32 µM each primer (see Fig. 1), 0.25 unit of Taq DNA polymerase, 0.25 unit of Taq Extender coenzyme (Stratagene), and ~ 500 ng of total DNA in a 50 µL volume. Figure 1 shows the primary matK primers (Genosys) used. Additional species-specific primers were occasionally needed, especially for Orobanche. PCR products were purified in 1% agarose gels using Qiaquick columns according to the manufacturer's instructions (Qiagen). Sequences were generated by two methods: with the ABI 377 autosequencer (P. E. Biosystems) according to the manufacturer's instructions (with the exception that reactions were done in 10 µL, rather than the standard 20 µL volume) and manually, with the Sequenase (U.S. Biochemicals) double-stranded method (dePamphilis et al., 1997). Both strands were sequenced, and all ambiguities clarified by individual examination using Sequencher 3.0 software (GeneCodes, Ann Arbor, MI). Sequences were translated to verify that the protein-coding regions contained no internal stop codons, which would signify a possible sequencing error or pseudogene sequence.

PHYLOGENETIC ANALYSIS

We used two methods of phylogenetic analysis in the program PAUP: maximum parsimony (MP) and maximum likelihood (ML). For rps2, positions homologous to positions 48-660 of the Nicotiana gene were used [Nicotiana plastid genome positions 16275-16887 (Shinozaki et al., 1986)], and for matK, Nicotiana gene positions 297-1286 were used (Nicotiana plastid genome positions 2425-3414). Because there were more than twice as many taxa sampled for rps2 than for matK, we analyzed each gene alone and in two different combined analyses: one with only those taxa sequenced for both genes, and one with all the taxa. In analyses of the matK-only and small-merger matrices, heuristic searches were performed with 100 random addition orders and TBR branch swapping. The rps2-only and large-merger matrices were too large for a full heuristic search, so we used a search strategy designed to sample tree space thoroughly in large data sets (Catalan et al., 1997). In the matK-only analysis, the effect of the two regions with overlapping gaps was investigated by repeating the analysis with the gaps removed. Bootstrap support (Felsenstein, 1985) was estimated from the matK-only and small-merger matrices, using the same parameters as the heuristic search (Fig. 3), and at least 500 replicates (Figs. 2, 4). For the rps2-only and largemerger matrices, each bootstrap replicate was limited to five random addition orders and five fully swapped trees each (Figs. 2, 4). Bremer support values (Bremer, 1988) were calculated for all four matrices. Topological constraints were used to find the number of extra steps that would be added to the MP trees under specific hypotheses (Table 2). Maximum-likelihood analyses were conducted on

ALIGNMENT

The rps2 alignment was simple, requiring only two small indels. The matK alignment was more complicated, requiring 14 locations with indels ranging from 3 to 21 bp, some of which varied among taxa in length and exact position. Initially 22 alignments were produced, using Clustal W 1.4 (Thompson et al., 1994) and the following variations: gap opening penalties (GOP) ranging from 5 to 30, gap extension penalties (GEP) from 1 to 10, with and without transition/transversion weighting,

the matK-only and small-merger matrices; the rps2only and large-merger matrices had too many taxa. The substitution model included a transition/transversion ratio of 2.0 and base frequencies estimated from the data (Hasegawa et al., 1985). Analyses were conducted using test version 4.0d54 of PAUP*, with permission of the program's author, David L. Swofford. The aligned data can be obtained from TreeBASE (study accession number S402) at http://www.herbaria.harvard.edu/treebase/.

coded as in Baum et al. (1994). The indels, all in multiples of three bases, were distributed throughout the gene, but were more common near the ends. Because it had the highest RC, this alignment was chosen for the matK-only, small-merger, and largemerger analyses. Similar alignment parameters produced RC values only slightly lower and yielded the same phylogenetic trees. However, parameters that differed substantially (such as GOP < 5 or GOP > 25) produced RC values less than 0.375 and led to less resolved consensus trees. The matK-only MP analysis resulted in six shortest trees, which differ only in the placement of Schwalbea and Cistanche. The strict consensus tree (Fig. 3) resolves the basal branches of the parasitic clade better than the rps2-only analysis. The matKonly analysis supports the monophyly of traditional Orobanchaceae, whose sister group is the Striga-Harveya clade (though support measures are not high). It also indicates that the genus Orobanche is diphyletic (polyphyletic, forming two clades), with moderately high support. It also resolves the Castilleja clade as sister to the Melampyrum clade. The ML (maximum likelihood) tree differs only in that Antirrhinum and Veronica form a monophyletic group rather than a paraphyletic one. This indicates that the parsimony algorithm may have allowed Veronica and Nicotiana to be attracted to each other due to their long branches (Felsenstein, 1978). That Antirrhinum belongs with Veronica is supported by both the rps2-only and large-merger analyses, which break up these branches with the addition of more taxa (Figs. 2, 4). When the two regions containing overlapping gaps were removed from the analysis, as well as the gap characters generated by these regions, the strict consensus MP tree differed by a single feature: the sister relationship of two of the outgroups, Hemimeris and Verbascum, becomes unresolved.

RESULTS

Although a cpDNA phylogeny cannot be assumed identical to the organismal phylogeny (e.g., Doyle, 1992), introgression or lineage sorting are not likely to be problems above the level of genera, so we expect close correspondence between the cpDNA phylogenies and the organismal phylogeny. The four data matrices used in the phylogenetic analyses are detailed in Table 2. The first, referred to as "rps2-only," contains rps2 gene sequences from 63 taxa. The second matrix (matK-only) contains matK sequences from 26 of those taxa (plus Cistanche, just recently obtained). The third matrix (small-merger) combines sequences for the 26 taxa that have data from both genes (all of the taxa in the matK analysis except Cistanche, which had only two-thirds of its matK gene sequenced, due to technical difficulties). This type of analysis (many characters, few taxa) is expected to provide the strongest support for clades on trees (Sanderson, 1989). The fourth matrix (large-merger) also excludes Cistanche, but contains all 63 remaining taxa; about 39% of the data are missing. This type of analysis (many taxa, fewer characters per taxon) can be expected to have lower support for clades on trees, but can give at least a preliminary indication of relationships for all the taxa.

The strict consensus tree resulting from the rps2only MP analysis (Fig. 2) supports the monophyly of the parasitic figworts and broomrapes and indicates that Lindenbergia is the nearest relative to the parasites, among those plants sampled. Within the parasites, early branching events are unresolved, but the transitional genera (Lathraea, Harveya, and Hyobanche) clearly do not group with the broomrapes. Constraining them to do so adds 14 steps to the tree (Table 2).

The small-merger analysis (Fig. 3) gives additional support to the findings of the previous two analyses. Cistanche has been removed, but otherwise the resulting MP trees have exactly the same topologies. Again, the ML analysis conflicts only in the placement of Veronica. The monophyly of the parasites (hemi- plus holo-) is strongly supported, as is the position of Lindenbergia as sister group to the parasites. The holoparasites are clearly polyphyletic. Although the broomrapes (as sampled) are monophyletic, Harveya and Lathraea do not form a clade with them. Instead, each of these holoparasites is revealed as a close relative of green hemiparasites. Harveya is related to Alectra and Striga (and others of tribe Buchnereae; Fig. 4). Lathraea is in a clade with Tozzia and Melampyrum (and oth-

The best alignment of the matK sequences, resulting in MP trees with a RC = 0.380, was generated with Clustal W alignment parameters GOP = 15, GEP = 5, transition/transversion weighting on, and the seven resulting indel characters were

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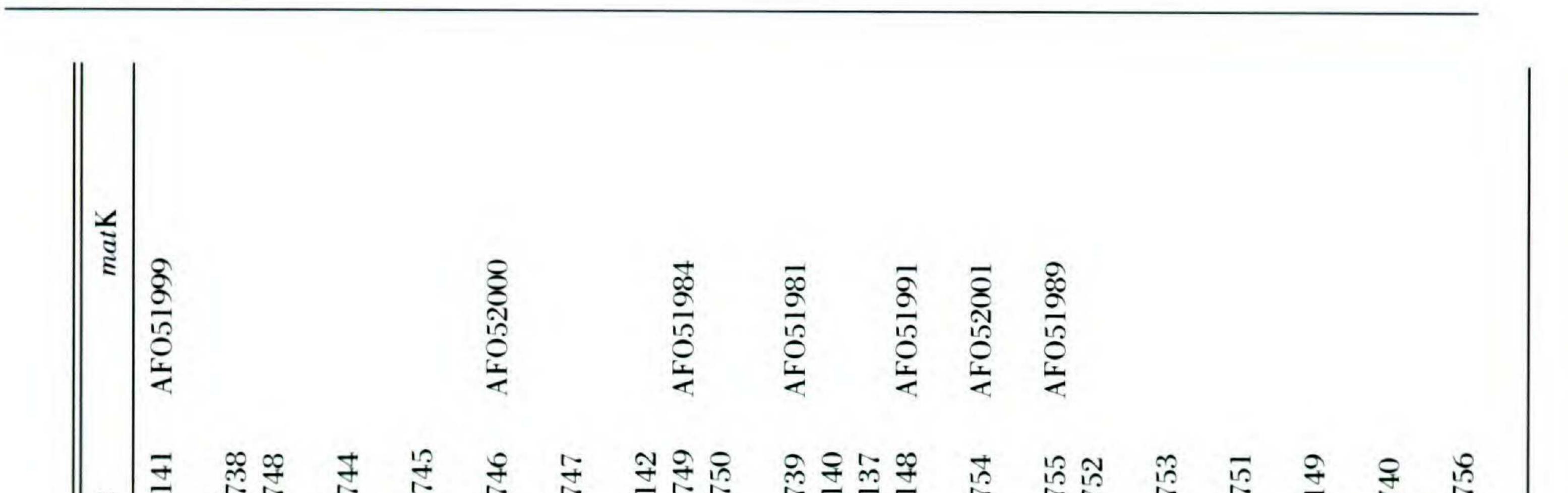
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matK	-53F	CTTGTTTGRCTNTATCGCACTATG
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matK	775F	TCTTGAACGAATCTATTTCTRYGG
matK	1210F	GGGCATCCCATTAGTAAGNC
matK	1349R	CTTTTGTGTTTCCGAGCYAAAGTTC
matK	1189R	CGGTTACTAATGGGATGCCC
matK	950R	CCACARCGAAAAATRMCATTGCC
matK	510R	GAAGAGTTTGAACCAAKAYTTCC

Figure 1. Map of the *mat*K gene (thick line) and flanking regions (thin line) with primer sites indicated. Primer sequences are listed 5' to 3'; some contain IUPAC ambiguity codes. *trn*K 11 was designed by G. Learn; *trn*K 2621 was designed by K. Steele (Steele & Vilgalys, 1994).

ers of tribe Rhinantheae). Tozzia is therefore not an

genera in this clade have their center of distribution in North America (Mabberley, 1997).

evolutionary transition to *Lathraea*, though they are fairly close relatives. The genus *Orobanche* is diphyletic (Fig. 3). Two New World species group with *Boschniakia*, and four Old World species group with *Epifagus*. The *rbcL* phylogeny also supports *Orobanche* diphyly (Wolfe & dePamphilis, 1998). However, the support values for the New World clade are low, so this result must be regarded as preliminary.

The strict consensus tree resulting from the large-merger analysis (Fig. 4) is more resolved and generally better supported than that from the rps2only analysis, but is otherwise completely congruent with it. The relationships at poorly supported nodes, especially among the outgroups, should be regarded as very preliminary. Neither subfamily of Scrophulariaceae is monophyletic, and this is not only because the broomrapes, mints, and other families derive from within the subfamilies. The tribe Digitaleae sensu Wettstein, which includes Veronica and Hemiphragma, forms a clade with the tribe Antirrhineae and its relatives rather than with the rest of the subfamily Rhinanthoideae. Likewise neither parasitic tribe is monophyletic. Constraint analyses show that many extra steps would have to be added to make the subfamilies and parasitic tribes monophyletic (Table 2). Surprisingly, there is strong support for a clade that includes members of both the Rhinantheae and the Buchnereae. All of the

DISCUSSION

These analyses of rps2 and matK gene sequences allow us to better understand the phylogeny and thus the evolution of parasitism within the figworts and broomrapes. The number of characters and taxa we have utilized exceeds that of previous studies. Out of the 27 taxa contained in the rps2 tree and the matK tree, there are only two conflicts. The combination of the data sets is therefore supported (Mason-Gamer & Kellogg, 1996). The monophyly of the parasitic figworts and broomrapes is strongly supported in all four analyses. The monophyly of the parasites also indicates a single origin of parasitism. It is not yet clear how many times haustorial parasitism has evolved in other groups, but an estimate of at least 11 times (Nickrent et al., 1998) suggests that the habit may be relatively uncommon in flowering plants. However, once hemiparasitism has been established, the loss of photosynthesis (and evolution of holoparasitism) may be more common.

Holoparasitism has arisen five independent times in the figwort/broomrape clade. In addition to the *Harveya*, *Lathraea*, and broomrape lineages, it has also occurred once within the genus *Alectra* and once within the genus *Striga* (dePamphilis et al.,

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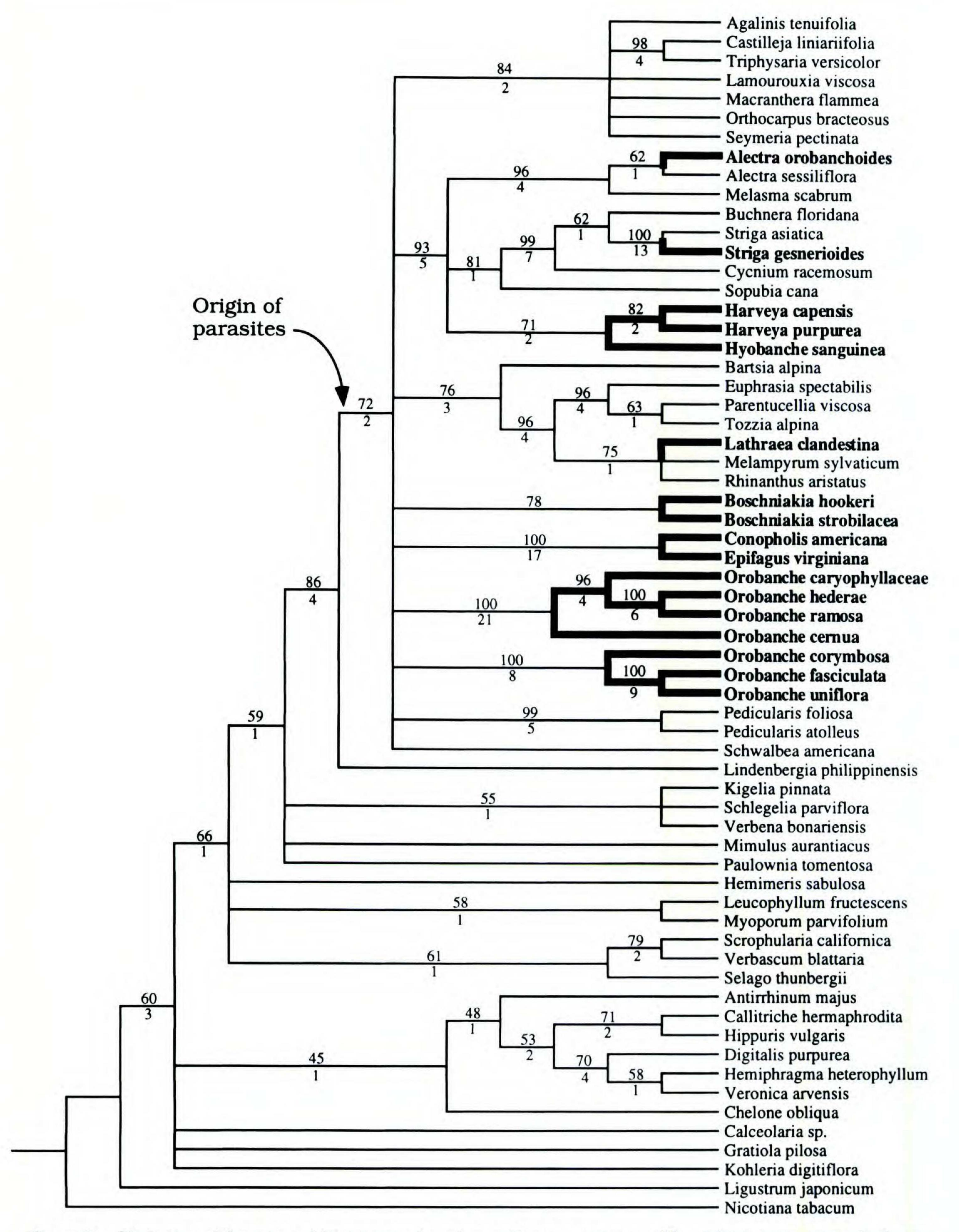
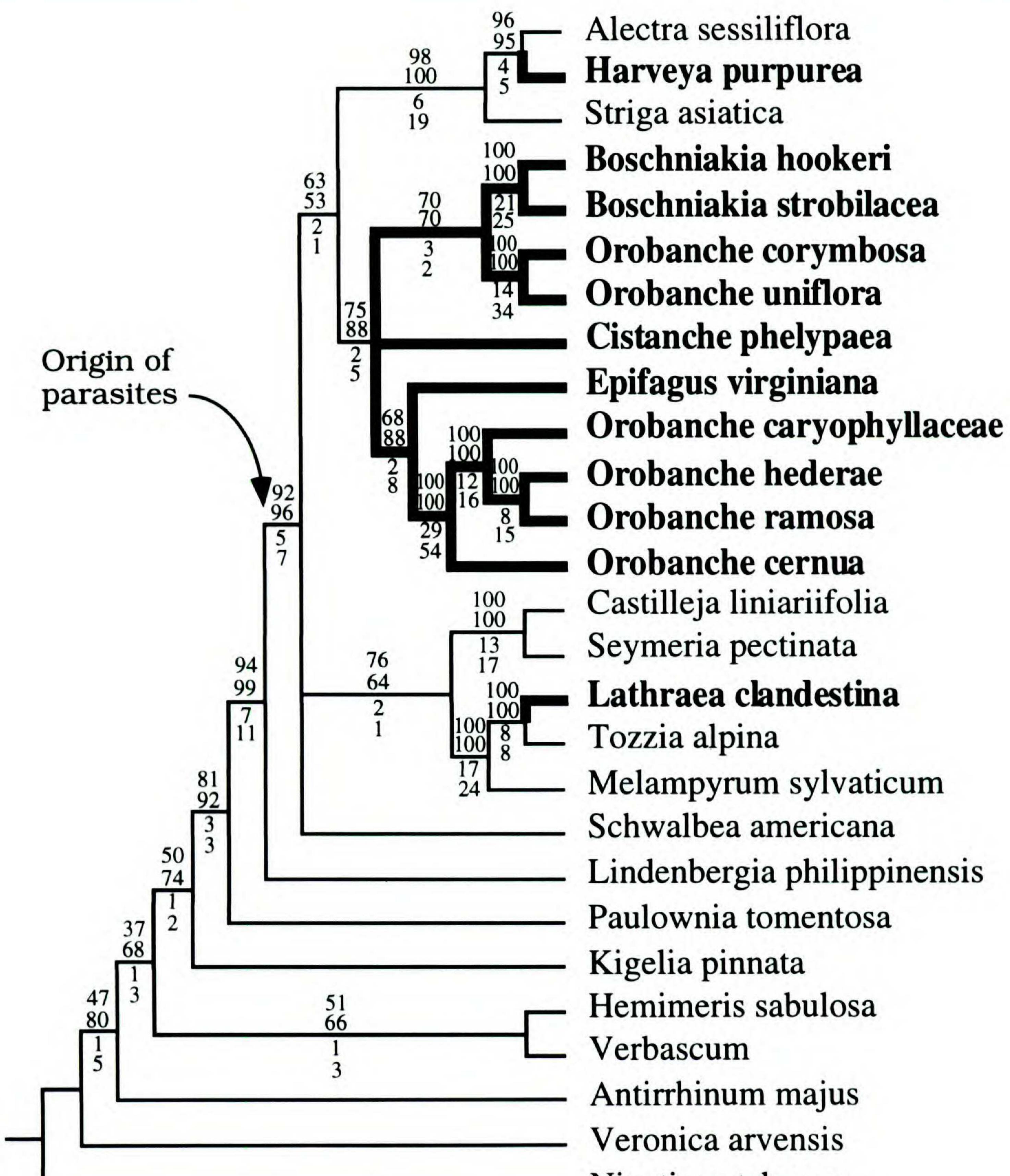


Figure 2. Phylogeny of figworts and broomrapes based on *rps*2 gene sequences. The strict consensus tree is shown, with bootstrap values (above branch) based on 500 replicates and Bremer support values (below branch). Bold font typeface and bold font branch segments indicate holoparasitic taxa.

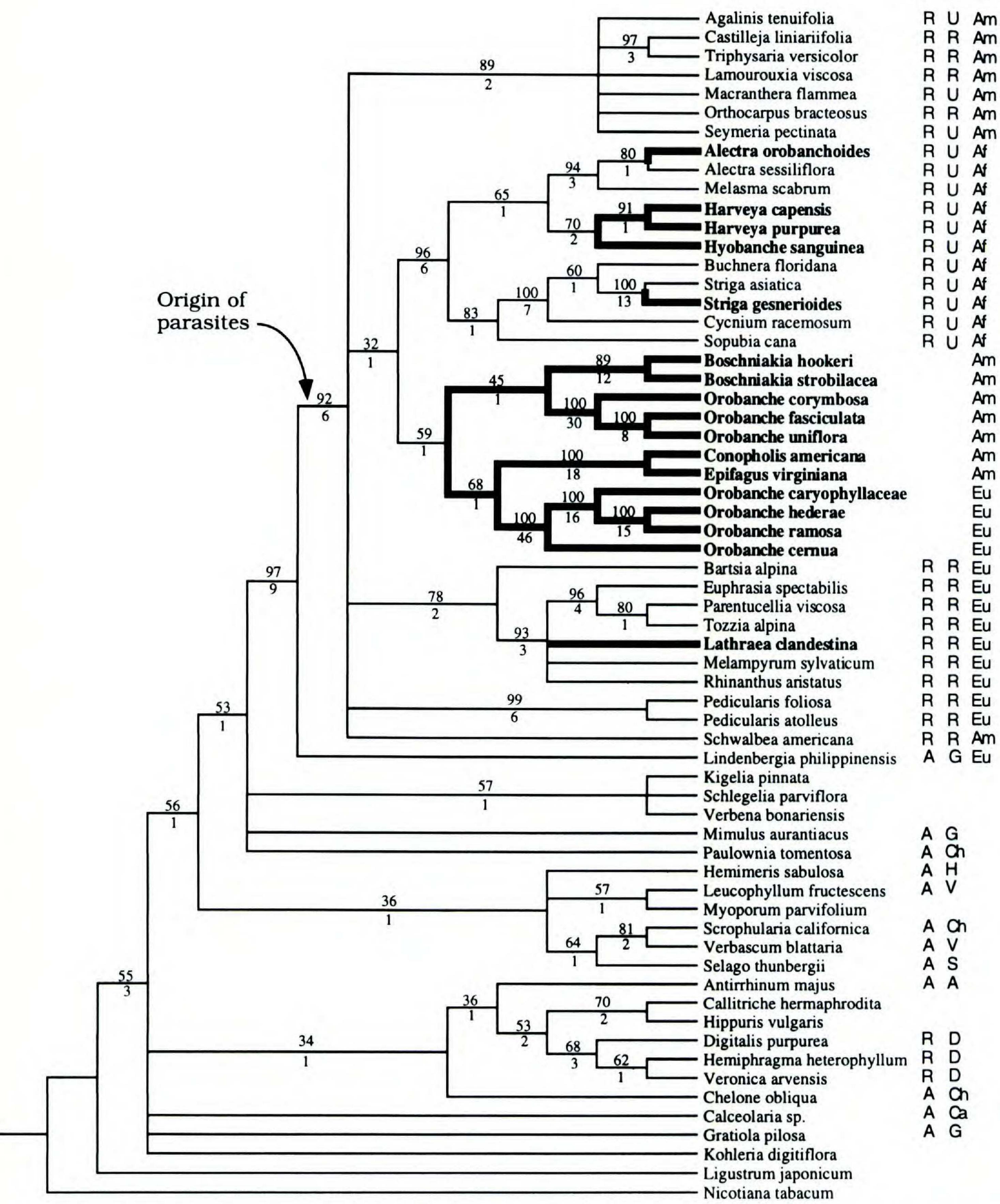


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Figure 3. Results of both the matK-only analysis and the small-merger analysis. The topology shown is the strict consensus tree from the matK-only analysis. Cistanche and Schwalbea have unresolved placements; when these taxa are removed, a single, fully resolved tree is found. The small-merger combined analysis of rps2 and matK yielded a strict consensus tree with this same topology, except that *Cistanche* was not included in that analysis. The four numbers displayed at each node represent, top to bottom, the matK bootstrap value (based on 1500 replicates), the small-merger bootstrap value (based on 838 replicates), the matK Bremer support value, and the small-merger Bremer support value. In one case, different species were used to represent a genus: Verbascum blattaria was sequenced for rps2; V. thapsis was sequenced for matK. Bold font typeface and bold font branch segments indicate holoparasitic taxa.

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Figure 4. Strict consensus tree from the large-merger analysis. Bootstrap values (above) based on 500 replicates and Bremer support values below. Bold font typeface and bold font branch segments indicate holoparasitic taxa. Subfamily codes: A = Antirrhinoideae, R = Rhinanthoideae. Codes for Wettstein's tribes: U = Buchnereae, R = Rhinantheae, G = Gratioleae, Ch = Cheloneae, H = Hemimeridae, V = Verbasceae, S = Selagineae, A = Antirrhineae, D = Digitaleae, Ca = Calceolarieae. Biogeography codes—taxa have their centers of distribution in the following province: Am = Americas, Af = Africa, Eu = Eurasia.

Table 2. Descriptive measures from parsimony analyses and results of monophyly constraint analyses. Small = small merger, Large = large merger, MP = maximum parsimony.

	rps2	matK	Small	Large
No. of taxa	63	27	26	63
No. of characters	617	1205	1822	1822
No. of MP trees	15000	6	3	13941
Tree length	727	1421	1823	2137
CI	0.552	0.669	0.677	0.627
RC	0.370	0.380	0.398	0.381
Constraints ¹ :				
F-S	20	21	34	36
SF-A	15	15	22	29
SF-R	19	23	37	38
T-B	6	17	22	25
T-R	6	17	22	22
G-0	Ο	9	8	7
B&TG	14	54	67	67

¹ The number of extra steps added when the following groups are constrained to be monophyletic (Swofford, 1993): F-S = family Scrophulariaceae (excluding broomrapes), SF-A = subfamily Antirrhinoideae, SF-R = subfamily Rhinanthoideae, T-B = tribe Buchnereae, T-R = tribe Rhinantheae, G-O = genus Orobanche, B&TG = broomrapes with the transitional genera Harveya, Lathraea, and Hyobanche (if present on tree).

1997). In all cases, holoparasitic taxa have been derived from hemiparasitic ancestors. This suggests that the loss of photosynthesis may only occur subsequent to the evolutionary origin of the haustorium, the key character defining a parasitic strategy. In the loss of photosynthesis may only occur subsequent to the evolutionary origin of the haustorium, the key character defining a parasitic strategy. In the loss of photosynthesis may only occur subsequent to the evolutionary origin of the haustorium, the key character defining a parasitic strategy. In the loss of photosynthesis may only occur subsequent to the evolutionary origin of the haustorium and the loss of photosynthesis may only occur subsequent to the evolutionary origin of the haustorium, the key character defining a parasitic strategy.

major lineages of figworts. In studies of the chloroplast genes ndhF and rbcL, they identified the fact that Antirrhinum, Digitalis, and Veronica form a clade distinct from Scrophularia, Verbascum, and Selago. We have identified five additional clades of nonparasitic figworts. Leucophyllum represents a clade sister to the Myoporaceae. Mimulus and Paulownia represent clades that are not in the parasitic figwort clade, but are closer to it, Verbenaceae, and Bignoniaceae than they are to the Scrophularia clade. Finally, Calceolaria and Gratiola represent two clades whose positions are unresolved. Each of these lineages may end up as a family of its own or may be included with one of the other families, depending on its position on future, more resolved, phylogenies. A combined analysis is being conducted, using rps2, ndhF, and rbcL and extensive sampling of nonparasitic Scrophulariaceae and related lineages (R. G. Olmstead, C. W. dePamphilis, A. D. Wolfe, N. D. Young, W. J. Elisens & P. A. Reeves, unpublished). Based on Figure 4, we can see that neither of the traditional subfamilies (Antirrhinoideae, Rhinanthoideae) are monophyletic. When trees are constrained to contain a monophyletic subfamily, they are at least 15 steps longer (Table 2). In order to circumscribe monophyletic groups, the subfamilies must be broken up, and their members placed into at least five new or re-defined families, separated by other existing families (R. G. Olmstead, C. W. dePamphilis, A. D. Wolfe, N. D. Young, W. J. Eli-

THE EVOLUTIONARY SERIES IS NOT SUPPORTED

The transitional genera Lathraea, Harveya, and Hyobanche are each more closely related to green hemiparasitic lineages than they are to the broomrapes. The placement of Lathraea with the Melampyrum group is found in 100% of bootstrap replicates and all trees up to 23 steps longer (Fig. 3). The grouping of Harveya (and presumably Hyobanche, based on Fig. 4) with hemiparasites of the Striga group is also extremely well supported (bootstrap value = 100, Bremer support value = 19). This reveals that the characters used previously to group these taxa with the broomrapes (e.g., loss of green color, reduction of leaves, the condensation of the vegetative axis, and reduction of cell number in the ovary) are all homoplastic and may be correlated with holoparasitism. The past practice of grouping the transitional genera with the broomrapes may be due to the fact that their specialization involves the loss or reduction of many features, and convergently reduced or lacking features will seem to be homologies due to common ancestry.

OTHER SYSTEMATIC CONCLUSIONS

Olmstead and Reeves (1995; Reeves & Olmstead, 1998) began the disintegration of the Scro-

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sens & P. A. Reeves, unpublished). One redefined family will combine taxa out of both subfamilies. Digitalis and Veronica, classified by Wettstein (1897) in the Rhinanthoideae, are herein (Fig. 3) more closely related to Antirrhinum than to the remainder of Rhinanthoideae. This implies that the floral aestivation character used to distinguish Rhinanthoideae from the other subfamily, Antirrhinoideae (Bentham, 1846; Bentham & Hooker, 1876; Wettstein, 1897; Armstrong & Douglas, 1989), has changed more than once in the evolution of the group: Digitalis, Veronica, and their relatives probably represent an independent origin of the rhinanthoid corolla aestivation type: the traditional Rhinanthoideae are clearly polyphyletic. This placement of Digitalis and Veronica agrees not only with ndhF/rbcL phylogeny (Olmstead & Reeves, 1995) but also with pollen morphology. Pollen exine structure is tectate with reticulate sculpturing in Digitalis, Veronica, Antirrhinum, and Chelone, a structure that is otherwise rare in the family (Minkin & Eshbaugh, 1989). The nearest relative to the parasitic figworts and broomrapes is the figwort genus Lindenbergia, not Gesneriaceae. Gesneriaceae (here represented by Kohleria) must therefore have derived unilocular placentation independently from Orobanchaceae. Lindenbergia, a southeast Asian genus, has traditionally been placed in the tribe Gratioleae in subfamily Antirrhinoideae (Bentham & Hooker, 1876) despite corolla aestivation similar to parasitic figworts and broomrapes (Cooke, 1903; Duthie, 1903-1920; Brühl, 1920; J. E. Armstrong, unpublished). Brühl (1920) has suggested that Lindenbergia shares a closer relationship with the parasitic figworts than with the Gratioleae, which agrees with our analysis (Figs. 2-4). Lindenbergia is here shown to be the sister group to the parasites, confirming its floral similarity. The clade containing all parasitic figworts, broomrapes, and Lindenbergia is strongly supported. In the small-merger analysis, it has a bootstrap value of 99 and a Bremer support value of 11. In addition, this clade has a defining (though not unique) morphological synapomorphy: anterior lobes external in corolla aestivation. This group warrants family status, and the appropriate name is Orobanchaceae, a conserved name (Greuter et al., 1994). We recommend expanding the Orobanchaceae and suggest the following clade definition:

dePamphilis, A. D. Wolfe, N. D. Young, W. J. Elisens & P. A. Reeves, unpublished), forms a new taxonomic system, which is compared to Wettstein's (Wettstein, 1897) in Table 3. Orobanchaceae now include hemiparasites and nonparasites, as well as holoparasites.

Within the parasites, Schwalbea is among the basal lineages, as suggested by its morphology (Pennell, 1935), but its exact position remains unresolved. The two parasitic tribes Buchnereae and Rhinantheae are each not monophyletic (Fig. 4). Agalinis (= Gerardia), Macranthera, and Seymeria, the New World representatives of Buchnereae Benth. 1846 (= Gerardieae Benth. & Hook., 1846), are part of a clade that is otherwise made up of genera of Rhinantheae with centers of distribution in North America. This clade is an example of the strong biogeographic pattern seen in this phylogeny (Fig. 4). Clades on the parasitic part of the phylogeny tend to be made up of genera with their centers of distribution (Mabberley, 1997) in the same biogeographic province (Fig. 4). There are large clades of taxa centered in Africa and Eurasia that include both hemiparasites and holoparasites. Even within the broomrapes a pattern emerges, with two clades of taxa centered in the Americas and one in Eur-

asia.

In Figures 3 and 4, the broomrapes are monophyletic. Their sister group (Fig. 3) is the *Striga-Harveya* group. However, this is not as well supported as our other conclusions and must be regarded as preliminary. The other potential sister groups are the *Tozzia-Lathraea* and *Castilleja-Seymeria* groups. Moderately well supported is the finding that *Orobanche* comprises at least two groups: one allied with *Boschniakia*, the other allied with *Epifagus* and *Conopholis* (Fig. 4). In the small-merger analysis (Fig. 3), these two new groupings are supported by bootstrap values of 70 and 88, respectively. The current classification of *Orobanche* (Beck von Mannagetta, 1930; Collins, 1973; Heckard & Chuang, 1975) contains two Old

Orobanchaceae are the least inclusive clade that contains Orobanche uniflora, Schwalbea americana, and Lindenbergia philippinensis.

This definition, along with the changes suggested in Olmstead et al. (R. G. Olmstead, C. W. World sections and two New World sections. Beck von Mannagetta (1890) united the two New World sections into one branch of the genus, and the two Old World sections to form the other. Cytology indicates that one of the Old World sections, section *Orobanche*, has chromosome numbers that are generally 2n = 38, while the other three sections have chromosome numbers that are nearly always 2n =24, 48, 72, or 96 (Heckard & Chuang, 1975). To be consistent with Beck von Mannagetta's scheme, the cytology suggests that section *Orobanche* might be monophyletic and derived from the other Old World section, *Trionychon* (including *O. ramosa*, 2n

Table 3. Genera of the Scrophulariaceae/Orobanchaceae complex used in this study, deposited according to the taxonomic systems of Wettstein (1897), and Olmstead et al. (R. G. Olmstead, C. W. dePamphilis, A. D. Wolfe, N. D. Young, W. J. Elisens & P. A. Reeves, unpublished).

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> Macranthera Seymeria Agalinis Sopubia Buchnera Cycnium Striga Harveya Hyobanche Castilleja Orthocarpus Triphysaria Melampyrum Tozzia Lathraea Euphrasia Parentucellia Bartsia Pedicularis Rhinanthus Lamourouxia Schwalbea Cistanche Conopholis Epifagus Boschniakia

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Table 3. Continued.			
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Pedicularis	Orobanche		
Rhinanthus			
Lamourouxia	No family designation, near Orobanchaceae		
Schwalbea	Mimulus		
Probanchacae	Paulownia		
Cistanche			
Conopholis	Bignoniaceae		

Epifagus Boschniakia Orobanche Bignoniaceae Kigelia Schlegelia Callitrichaceae Callitriche Gesneriaceae Kohleria Hippuriaceae Hippuris Myoporiaceae Myoporum Verbenaceae Verbena

Kigelia

No family designation, near Bignoniaceae Schlegelia

Verbenaceae Verbena

Gesneriaceae Kohleria

= 24). Our plastid phylogeny (Fig. 4) supports the Old World-New World division, but finds a paraphyletic relationship of section Orobanche (O. caryophyllaceae, O. hederae, and O. cernua, all 2n =38) to section Trionychon (2n = 24). This indicates that the Old World branch of the genus may have begun with 2n = 38 and later experienced a reduction in section Trionychon to 2n = 24. No counts have been reported for Epifagus, Conopholis, or Boschniakia. Cistanche has 2n = 40 (Hambler, 1956).

Having a classification that reflects monophyletic relationships will be a great advantage, especially to comparative biologists. These phylogenetically defined groups may even be easier to identify based on morphological characters, compared to the traditional family Scrophulariaceae, which is recognized by symplesiomorphies such as the presence of endosperm, capsular fruit, and strongly zygomorphic flowers. Furthermore, Antirrhinum majus serves as a model organism in the field of developmental biology (Coen & Nugent, 1994; Bradley et al., 1996). Such work can be placed in an illuminating context by the study of its relatives and their phylogeny (Reeves & Olmstead, 1998).

(dePamphilis et al., 1997), plastid genome structural evolution (dePamphilis, 1995), as well as rates of loss of particular photosynthetic genes (Wolfe & dePamphilis, 1997). Haustorial anatomy and physiology, host plant use, morphology, as well as the genetic changes that have accompanied parasitism, can all be investigated using the phylogeny for reference. Awareness of the multiple, independent origins of holoparasitism provides us with a powerful comparative framework in which to study the process of parasitic evolution.

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